

HARTLEY WINTNEY
RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL



ANNUAL REPORT

of the

Medical Officer of Health

and the

Chief Public Health Inspector

FOR THE YEAR 1971



HARTLEY WINTNEY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL

A N N U A L R E P O R T

of the

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FOR 1971

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To the Chairman and Members of the Hartley Wintney Rural District Council.

Madam Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my report for the year 1971, prepared as directed by the Minister of Health and Social Security.

There was little serious illness in the District and little infectious disease. There has not been a major epidemic of measles since 1967.

The population at the 10-yearly Census taken in April was 39,936. The estimated population at mid-year was 42,370, which is an increase of 4,600 since 1970, the largest ever recorded. The natural increase (excess of births over deaths) was 650, also a record, as was the actual number of births at 952. These latter figures, of course, represent the effect of the immigration of young people into the new housing in the District. The birth rate has in fact dropped from 25.1 per thousand to 22.7.

Legislation during the year included the Order activating Section 45 of the Health Services Act 1968, which gives wide power to County Councils in regard to Old People's Welfare.

On advice from the Department of Health, vaccination against Smallpox was dropped from the programme of routine immunisation of infants. Thanks to the work of the World Health Organisation, the incidence of smallpox has been so much reduced that the chance of a severe vaccination reaction is now greater than the chance of an infant contracting the disease. Vaccination is still necessary, of course, for anyone travelling to countries still affected.

Re-organisation, both of Local Government and of the National Health Service has unsettled the health scene. The original proposal to put part of North East Hampshire into Surrey would also have put it very conveniently under the same Area Health Authority as the new Frimley Hospital. The abandonment of this proposal - if events take their natural course - will leave an administrative Health Service boundary between the hospital and part of the population which it will serve. Efforts are still being made within the Health Service to overcome this.

The Basingstoke District Hospital is now fully operational, serving the western parts of the District. Frimley Hospital is due to open about the end of 1972.

I am indebted to Mr. Wild, Engineer & Surveyor, for a note on the progress of the sewerage improvements:-

The first phase of sewerage, between Hartley Wintney and Hook, is almost complete.

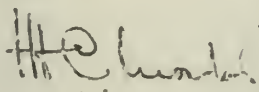
The second phase, construction of the new treatment works at Hartley Wintney is well advanced.

The third phase, work in Odiham and Rotherwick will start during 1972 and the whole project is due to be finished by the end of 1973.

Finally, I must thank the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee for their support and interest, particularly on the re-organisation problem; also the other officers of the Council; also my Chief Public Health Inspector, Mr. Davies, and the staff of the Health Department for their very loyal assistance.

I am, Madam Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,



MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

July 1971.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area.....	50,261(Acres)
Population.....	42,370
Number of Inhabited Houses (Domestic).....	12,021
Sum represented by penny rate (1971/72).....	£16.332
Rateable Value at 1st April 1971	£1,592.591
Rateable Value at 31st March 1972.....	£1,663.525
General Rate (1971/72).....	70p

VITAL STATISTICS

		<u>Rates for</u> <u>England</u> <u>and Wales</u>
<u>Births</u>		
Total (including 37 illegitimate).....	952	
Rate per 1,000 population.....	22.5	
Rate adjusted by comparability factor (1.01)...	22.7	16
Illegitimate as percentage of total.....	4	8
<u>Still Births</u>		
Total (1 illegitimate).....	14	
Rate per 1,000 all births live and still.....	14	12
<u>Total all births</u>	966	
<u>Deaths</u>		
Total.....	302	
Rate per 1,000 population.....	7.1	
Rate adjusted by comparability factor(0.99)....	7.0	11.6
<u>Infant Deaths</u>		
Total (under 1 year) one illegitimate.....	9	
Neo-natal (under 4 weeks) one illegitimate...	5	
Early neo-natal (under 1 week) one illegitimate	4	
<u>Infant Mortality Rates</u>		
Total (per 1,000 live births).....	9	18
Neo-natal (per 1,000 live births).....	5	12
Early neo-natal (per 1,000 live births).....	4	10
Perinatal (still-births and early neo-natal per 1,000 all births).....	19	22
<u>Maternal Mortality (including abortion)</u>		
Total.....)	None	
Rate per 1,000 all births.....)		

Population

The Registrar General's estimate of mid-year population was 42,370. An increase of 4,600 on last year. The excess of births over deaths was 650. The growth of population in recent years is shown below:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Population</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Increase</u>	<u>Natural</u> <u>Increase</u>	<u>Birth Rate</u> <u>(standardised)</u>
1964	29,210	1,750	364	21.5
1965	29,560	350	401	19.6
1966	50,530	980	431	26.4
1967	33,530	2,990	470	22.7
1968	35,130	1,600	542	24.9
1969	36,930	1,800	579	23.9
1970	37,770	840	594	25.1
1971	42,370	4,600	650	22.7

Analysis of Causes of Death

	<u>M</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>
Enteritis and other diarrhoeal diseases....	-	1	1	-	-
Tuberculosis of respiratory system.....	1	-	1	-	-
Cancer - Buccal Cavity, etc.....	1	2	3	1	1
Oesophagus.....	2	-	2	2	-
Stomach.....	3	-	3	5	5
Intestine.....	2	1	3	13	6
Larynx.....	-	-	-	1	-
Lung, Bronchus	12	5	17	13	18
Breast.....	-	1	1	6	2
Uterus.....	-	2	2	3	2
Prostate.....	1	-	1	2	1
Leukaemia.....	1	1	2	1	3
Other malignant neoplasms.....	15	8	23	12	13
Benign and unspecified neoplasms.....	-	1	1	1	-
Diabetes mellitus.....	1	1	2	-	-
Other endocrine, etc. diseases.....	-	1	1	2	-
Anaemias.....	-	-	-	1	-
Multiple Sclerosis.....	1	1	2	2	-
Other diseases of nervous system.....	3	3	6	1	7
Chronic rheumatic heart disease.....	1	2	3	2	2
Hypertensive disease.....	2	1	3	5	1
Ischaemic Heart disease.....	26	29	55	63	69
Other forms of heart disease.....	11	10	21	32	19
Cerebrovascular disease.....	17	33	50	56	49
Other diseases of circulatory system.....	9	11	20	19	17
Influenza.....	-	-	-	13	6
Pneumonia.....	6	10	16	13	17
Bronchitis and Emphysema.....	6	4	10	13	15
Asthma.....	-	2	2	-	-
Other diseases of respiratory system.....	2	2	4	4	5
Peptic Ulcer.....	-	1	1	2	2
Appendicitis.....	-	1	1	-	-
Intestinal obstruction and Hernia.....	-	2	2	1	1
Cirrhosis of liver.....	-	-	-	2	2
Other diseases of digestive system.....	1	1	2	4	2
Nephritis and Nephrosis.....	2	-	2	4	2
Hyperplasia of prostate.....	2	-	2	2	1
Other diseases, genito-urinary system.....	2	-	2	3	-
Other complications of pregnancy, etc.....	-	-	-	1	-
Congenital anomalies.....	4	4	8	2	1
Birth injury, difficult labour, etc.....	-	-	-	4	3
Other causes of perinatal mortality.....	-	-	-	4	-
Symptoms and ill defined conditions.....	3	2	5	3	2
Motor vehicle accidents.....	7	2	9	11	4
All other accidents.....	4	8	12	15	9
All other external causes.....	-	1	1	2	-
	148	154	302	347	287

There were again fewer deaths from Coronary Disease and fewer in the younger age groups, but it is still a risk peculiar to the affluent, yet highly competitive conditions under which many men in their 30s and 40s live today.

Lung Cancer is up again but one would hope that the first wave of anti-smoking propoganda in 1961 should soon be showing an effect in fewer deaths among people who gave up smoking at that time.

Infectious Diseases

The following table shows infectious diseases notified during the past five years:-

	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>
Measles.....	817	41	40	77	44
Scarlet Fever.....	6	10	2	5	8
Whooping Cough.....	3	13	1	4	3
Dysentery.....	1	-	3	3	2
Food Poisoning.....	4	5	6	8	6
Meningitis.....	-	-	2	-	-
Infective Jaundice.....	-	-	2	1	5
Leptospirosis.....	-	-	2	-	-
Tuberculosis.....	4	3	2	-	1

Measles

The numbers are well down and give some hope that the vaccination programme is becoming effective.

Food Poisoning

There were six cases - all in isolated individuals.

Immunisation

The following table shows the number of children immunised against the various diseases during the year:-

<u>Year of Birth</u>	<u>Triple</u>		<u>Dip/Tet</u>		<u>Polio</u>		<u>Smallpox</u>		<u>Measles</u>
	P.	B.	P.	B.	P.	B.	Primary	Re.Vac.	
1971	19	-	-	-	11	-	4	-	3
1970	685	17	3	5	701	22	151	-	365
1969	185	38	3	9	188	38)		261
1968	14	11	2	11	21	14)	7	145
1967/64	7	83	18	578*	24	566)		218
Under 16	1	10	2	52	3	308	14	65	62
TOTALS:	911	159	28	655*	948	948	559	72	1054

*3 of these received Diphtheria only.

261 girls received Rubella.

B.C.G. - Consents = 72.4% of offers.

176 children were Heaf Tested.

10 were positive.

148 received vaccine.

National Assistance Acts 1968 - 1951

No action was required.

Home Help Service

This is now under the Social Services Department of the County Council. I am indebted to Mrs. Roberts, the Local Organiser, for the following figures of cases dealt with in the District:-

Aged sick and infirm.....	138
Chronic sick.....	21
Emergency sickness.....	3
Post Hospital.....	13
Maternity.....	23
Child Care.....	4
Mentally disordered.....	1

There were 29 Home Helps and 4 Good Neighbours on the register.

Infectious Diseases

The nearest Infectious Diseases Hospital is Northfields Isolation Hospital, Redan Road, Aldershot, (telephone Aldershot 21365), to which cases of Infectious Diseases are sent.

Ambulance Service

The service is controlled centrally from Winchester, (telephone Winchester 61644) for routine calls, 999 for emergencies. There are stations at Farnborough and Basingstoke.

Professional Nursing in the Home and Domiciliary Midwifery

District Served

Name and Address of Nurse

Attached to Drs. Singer and
Partners - mainly in Yateley itself

Mrs. K.A. Carroll, 20 Farm View,
Yateley, Camberley, Surrey.
(Telephone Yateley 2258)
All discharges to Yateley 2333

Attached to Drs. Singer and Partners

Mrs. F.B. Delahunty, Avendia,
4 Vigo Lane, Yateley, Camberley.
(Telephone Cricket Hill 4430)

Attached to Drs. Price, Evans and Henley

Mrs. C.H. Christie, Rosina Cottage,
Crowthorne Road, Crowthorne, Berks.
(Telephone Crowthorne 2086)

Attached to Drs. Price, Evans and Henley
covers Parkhill, Frogmore, East Green
Estates, Darby Green and remainder of
unattached work in Yateley

Mrs. M.P. Devereux, 137 College
Road, College Town, Camberley,
Surrey.
(Telephone Camberley 23833)

Attached to Drs. Trust and Partners,
(Hook Surgery)

Miss J.J. Moore, 1 Hound Green
Close, Mattingley, Basingstoke, Hants.
(Telephone Heckfield 354)

Unattached

Mrs. E.J. Brown, 1 Cedar Cottage,
Greywell, Basingstoke, Hants.
(Telephone Odiham 2572)

Attached to Drs. Haselden and Partners(Odiham)
Odiham, Greywell, North Warnborough

Miss M.A. Neal, No. 1 Nurses Flats,
Queens Road, North Warnborough,
Basingstoke, Hants.
(Telephone Odiham 2692)

Health Visitors for the district

Attached to Group Practice of Drs. Dobbin,
Mathewson, Crawshaw, Poyntz-Wright and
Aubrey of Fleet

Miss D.L. Heath, 69 Greenways, Fleet.
(Telephone Fleet 3575)

Attached to Drs. Haselden & Partners(Odiham)

Miss M. Phillpot, 10 Queens Road,
North Warnborough, Basingstoke,
Hants.
(Telephone Odiham 2189)

Attached to Drs. Trust and Partners,
(Hook Surgery)

Miss J. Clark, 36 Salmons Road,
Odiham, Basingstoke, Hants.
(Telephone Odiham 2730)

Attached to Practice of Drs. Newell-Price and
Collings-Wells of Fleet

Mrs. Z.E.M. Collyer, 61 Ferndale
Road, Church Crookham, Aldershot,
Hants.
(Telephone Fleet 5655)

Blackwater and Yateley
Attached to Drs. Singer, France and Walker
(Surnames A - K)

Miss K.J. Davies, 22 Hearsey Gardens,
Rosemary Lane, Blackwater,
Camberley, Surrey.
(Telephone Yateley 83082)

Blackwater and Yateley
Attached to Drs. Singer, France and Walker
(Surnames L - Z)

Mrs. P. McKinney, 'Chiltern',
Vigo Lane, Yateley, Camberley, Surrey.
(Telephone Yateley 2103)

Attached to Drs. J. Price, Evans and Henley

Miss F. Battersby, 136 Fairview Road,
Ash Hill Estate, Ash, Aldershot,
Hants.
(Telephone Aldershot 23903)
All post should be addressed to:-
51 Frogmore Road, Darby Green,
Camberley, Surrey.

Health Visitors for the district (Cont'd)

Attached to Drs. Trust, Morrison, James
and Hudson for Hartley Wintney and
Heckfield areas.

Miss J. Clark, 36 Salmons Road,
Odiham, Basingstoke, Hants.
(Telephone Odiham 2730)

Part-time Staff

Hartley Wintney and Fleet Area

Mrs. P.M. Reid (District Nurse/
Midwife), Karani, Hogs Back, Seale,
Farnham, Surrey.
(Telephone Runfold 2543)

Odiham and Hartley Wintney Area

Mrs. N.E. Derham, Forth House,
Bracknell Lane, Hartley Wintney,
Basingstoke, Hants.
(Telephone Hartley Wintney 2585)

Yateley Area

Mrs. E.A. Geeves, (District Nurse/
Midwife), 31 Ives Close, Yateley,
Camberley, Surrey.
(Telephone Cricket Hill 5311)

Mrs. J. Driver, Lyngmoore, Curley
Hill Road, Lightwater, Surrey.
(Telephone Bagshot 2531)

Odiham Area

Mrs. L. Blay, (District Nurse),
Cornerpiece, Church Lane, Winchfield,
Basingstoke, Hants.
(Telephone Odiham 2480)

Hospital Services

There are three hospitals in the district:-

- (1) Odiham Cottage Hospital - North Hampshire Hospital Group
(Telephone Odiham 2600)

8 beds and 1 cot.

- (2) Yateley and District Hospital - Farnham Group
(Telephone Yateley 82935)

15 beds.

- (3) Winchfield Hospital - North Hampshire Hospital Group
(Telephone Hartley Wintney 2047)

This is a hospital of 75 beds, mainly geriatric, some
chronic sick.

Chest Clinics

- (1) Northfields Hospital, Redan Road, Aldershot
(Telephone Aldershot 21365)

Monday

9.15 a.m. - Old Patients.
11.00 a.m. - New Patients.

2nd Monday every month	2.30 p.m.	(- Special Bronchitis Clinic.
One Monday every month	to	(- B.C.G. Session.
One Monday every month	3.15 p.m.	(- Post B.C.G. Session.

Chest Clinics (Cont'd)

(1) Northfields Hospital, Redan Road, Aldershot (Cont'd)

Tuesday

9.15 a.m. - 10.30 a.m.)
2.00 p.m. - 3.15 p.m.) - Old Patients

Wednesday

1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesday)
every month at Fleet Hospital) - Old and New Patients.
1.45 p.m. - 3.45 p.m.)

Thursday

9.15 a.m. - Old Patients and Urgent
New Patients.

(2) Basingstoke General Hospital, Hackwood Road, Basingstoke (Telephone Basingstoke 5001)

Friday

9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.)
2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.) - Old Patients
11.00 a.m. - 12 noon - New Patients

V.D. Clinics

(1) Aldershot General Hospital, St. George's Road, Aldershot (Telephone Aldershot 23201)

Males - Monday - 12.00 noon - 1.00 p.m.
Wednesday - 4.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.

Females - Monday - 11.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon
Wednesday - 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.

(2) Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Winchester, Out Patient Annex (Telephone Winchester 5151)

Males - Monday - 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.
Females -

Males - Thursday - 3.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.
Females -

(3) Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading (Telephone Reading 85111)

Females - Wednesday - 4.00 p.m.
Saturday - 2.00 p.m.

Males - Wednesday - 2.00 p.m.
Saturday - 4.00 p.m.

Speech Clinics

School Speech Clinics are held at Aldershot and Basingstoke.

(1) Aldershot (Telephone Aldershot 24104)

The School Clinic, - By appointment - once each week
St. George's Road East

(2) Basingstoke (Telephone Basingstoke 26211)

Brambly's Grange Health Clinic - By appointment - daily (except Thursday)

Eye Clinics

These are a Regional Hospital Board responsibility, administered through the County Council. They are held at the Aldershot General Hospital, (telephone Aldershot 23201) Monday and Thursday all day. Also at Brambly's Grange Health Clinic, Basingstoke, all day Wednesday. (Children are now dealt with at Manor Park).

Laboratory Service

The service for this area is divided between the Public Health Laboratory, Royal Hampshire County Hospital, Winchester, (telephone Winchester 3807) and the Public Health Laboratory, Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading, (telephone Reading 52957).

Child Health Centres

		<u>Held at 2.00 p.m.</u>
Church Crookham	Elizabeth War Memorial Hall, Sandy Lane	Every Tuesday. (A.C.M.O.)
Blackwater	The Surgery, Hartley Corner, Darby Green	Every Tuesday and Friday. (Dr. J. Price)
Eversley	Village Hall	1st Tuesday
Frogmore	Darby Green and Frogmore Social Hall, Frogmore, Blackwater	Every Wednesday. (Dr. Lambert)
Hartley Wintney	Former Civil Defence Centre	1st and 3rd Thursdays. (Dr. James)
Hawley	Memorial Hall, Main Road.	2nd and 4th Wednesdays. (A.C.M.O. each session)
Hook	(1) Elizabeth Hall, Raven Road.	1st, 2nd and 4th Tuesdays. (Dr. Haselden)
	(2) Bellmeadow Estate Surgery, Station Road.	2nd and 4th Thursday. (Dr. James)
Odiham	(1) The Surgery, High Street.	2nd, 3rd and 4th Fridays 2.00 p.m.-4.00 p.m. 3rd Fridays - Health Visitor's Clinic. (Drs. Haselden and Roper)
	(2) Station Sick Quarters, R.A.F. Odiham	1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Wednesdays (Dr. Bradley)
Yateley	(2) W.I. Hut, Reading Road.	2nd and 4th Thursday. (A.C.M.O. Dr. Cundill)
	(2) The Surgery, Firgrove Road, Yateley	Every Tuesday. (Dr. Singer)

Orthopaedic Clinics

A Surgeon's Clinic administered by the Lord Mayor Treloar Hospital, Alton, is held at the School Clinic, St. George's Road East, Aldershot, as required. Remedial Clinics are held at the Aldershot General Hospital.

Surgeons and Remedial Clinics are also held at Basingstoke General Hospital, Hackwood Road, Basingstoke. Attendance at these clinics are by appointment from the respective Hospital.

Dental Treatment

All expectant and nursing mothers and pre-school children may receive a dental inspection and treatment on application. All school children are examined regularly by the County Dental Officer and treatment is carried out in the mobile dental clinics at schools in the area, attendance by appointment only.

Any cases requiring emergency treatment can also be seen at either the Dental Clinic, St. George's Road East, Aldershot, between the hours of 9.15 a.m. and 4.00 p.m., (telephone Aldershot 24104). Also at Brambllys Grange Health Clinic, Basingstoke, (telephone Basingstoke 21877) on Mondays to Fridays from 9.30 a.m. to 12.00 noon and 1.30 p.m. to 4.45 p.m., or the Dental Clinic attached to the Courtmoor Secondary School, Fleet (telephone Fleet 6363).

Child Guidance

Clinics are held by appointment only at:-

- | | |
|---|-------------------------------|
| (1) Manor House Health Clinic,
Manor Park, Aldershot.
(Telephone Aldershot 21985) | Appointment via County |
| (2) Brambllys Grange Health Clinic,
Basingstoke, Hants.
(Telephone Basingstoke 26211) | Monday 10.00 a.m. - 3.30 p.m. |

Family Planning Association

Clinics are held at Manor Park, Aldershot, on every Friday of the month, from 10.00 a.m.-4.00 p.m., and at Stoneyhurst, Fairfield Road, Basingstoke, at the following times:-

Tuesday	-	9.00 - 11.30 a.m.
Wednesday	-	(9.00 - 11.30 a.m. 2.00 - 4.00 p.m.
Thursday	-	5.30 - 7.30 p.m.
Friday	-	1.30 - 3.30 p.m.

Cervical Cytology

Clinics are held at Manor Park House, Aldershot, and Brambllys Grange, Basingstoke, for women aged 35 years and over, who wish to undergo a simple test for early detection of cancer of the womb. Appointments for these Clinics are made with the County Medical Officer, The Castle, Winchester.

Social Services

The Area Director of Social Services for N.E. Hampshire, is located at Hippodrome House, Birchett Road, Aldershot. (Telephone Aldershot 28312).

Two groups of Area Social Workers operate from the same office. One covers Crookham, Odiham and southern parishes along with Aldershot and Fleet. The other covers the northern parishes and Farnborough, which include, Blackwater, Bramshill, Cove, Eversley, Eversley Cross, Frogmore, Hartley Wintney, Hazeley, Heckfield, Hook, Mattingley, Phoenix Green, Rotherwick, West Green and Yateley.

Applications for Assistance should be made to:-

Monday to Friday, 9.00 - 5.30 p.m., Hippodrome House, Aldershot.

For emergencies at other times, to County Ambulance Control, (Winchester 61644), who will have the name and telephone number of the Social Worker on duty.

Madam Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is with pleasure that I submit my Annual Report for 1971, including the refuse collection and wet scavenging services to the 31st March 1972.

The essential work of maintaining the environmental health standards of the district has continued, and the following matters are of interest to bring to the notice of the Council.

It was very satisfactory to see the closure of the unauthorised caravan site at Easter Ross, Minley Road, Cove. After a period of some six years, when there were originally over 150 families in caravans, the final allocation for re-housing was made in the early part of the year. The Council relinquished their control and the land reverted to the owner. A great deal of work was necessary over the years to ensure that order was maintained and numerous hours and visits were spent for the benefit of the people living there.

A matter of concern to the Public Health Committee was the increasing number of complaints relating to dirty milk bottles and to try to achieve some improvements members visited one of the large dairies in the locality. A full and frank discussion was held and with the co-operation of the firm complaints have reduced.

A survey of the existing drainage arrangements was carried out to properties in the Parish of Dogmersfield and in the area known as Pilcot and the Council have decided to include these areas in the future programme for main drainage.

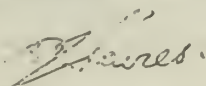
On the refuse collection and disposal side the most notable alteration was the closure of the Council's controlled tip at Hazeley Heath and the commencement of the new tip at Heath Warren, Bramshill, in August. The Code of Practice recommended by the Department of the Environment with regard to controlled tipping is being fully complied with and the Council are fortunate to have unlimited covering material to achieve this. With the use of two machines, which are now fully manned, good controlled tipping can be practised. The Council continue to receive the refuse from the Fleet Urban District, as they have done in the past four years. Due to the fact that the Insurance Company would not accept access by members of the public to the deep sandpit at Bramshill, it was necessary to continue to use Hazeley Heath for the purposes of the Civic Amenities Act 1967. The control of this public refuse dump is extremely difficult and the quantity of refuse received from the public is increasing. Arrangements have been made with the Fleet Council that a suitable reception area for refuse from ratepayers in that district will be provided within their own boundary. This will certainly alleviate the problem, but full control cannot be exercised until a more permanent situation is found, preferably under some supervision. Whilst on the question of refuse disposal the North Hants/West Surrey Working Party on refuse disposal made their final Report to the constituent Authorities during the year. All the recommendations were accepted by the Council, with the additional request that the tipping of untreated crude refuse should cease in the Rural District as soon as possible. This attitude is also maintained by the Department of the Environment, who consider that controlled tipping of untreated refuse should be brought to an end as soon as possible, unless it is being used for land reclamation. Unfortunately no further action has yet been taken on the recommendation of the Working Party that preliminary consultations should take place with a view to providing the necessary mechanical treatment works.

Two other items of interest which should be recorded are the completion and opening of the new public conveniences at Blackwater and the large amount of extra work that was necessary to deal with the vast increase of wasps nests in the Rural District. Some 650 nests were dealt with directly by the Council, in addition to the number destroyed by private householders. No previous year had approached this phenomenal number of wasp infestations.

Finally, I should like to record my appreciation to all members of the Department for their support during the year. At all times they have dealt with their work and contact with the public in a courteous manner. The appointment of a Cleansing Superintendent in the Department has assisted the administration of these services considerably.

I am, Madam Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,



CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

HOUSING

The duties of the Council in dealing with houses unfit for human habitation under the Housing Act 1957, have been carried out when necessary. There are no large groups of properties suitable for clearance areas at the present time, and all properties have been dealt with as individual unfit houses. All the owners concerned were co-operative and it was not necessary to institute legal proceedings in any case. During the year the following 19 premises were either demolished, closed or restored:-

Premises Demolished

21 Woodside, Hawley
2 Cottages, Up Green, Eversley
Nos. 1 and 2 Firtree Cottages, Hazeley Heath
Oakdene, Lower Common, Eversley
The Old Bakery, Hazeley Heath
The Forge, London Road, Hook
Turnpike Cottage, Heckfield
Nos. 1 and 2 Sandholes, Potbridge, Winchfield

Properties Restored

Dukesfield, Norton Road, Riseley (Heckfield Parish)
1 and 2 Valley Cottages, Potbridge, Winchfield
Neville's Cottage, Hillside, Odiham

Written Undertakings

Nos. 1 and 2 Albion Terrace, Hartley Wintney
No. 2 Stapeley Down Farm Cottage, Odiham
No. 2 Gaddshill Cottage, Lower Common, Eversley

Properties which are unfit come to the notice of the department through general inspection of the district and housing applications and 3 were downgraded to this category during the year. Since the unfit housing survey of 1955, a total of 306 premises have been dealt with.

Council Housing - Letting

The department is responsible for the allocation of Council houses through the Committee and the following statistics are supplied for information:-

New applications accepted in 1971.....	245
Applications refused.....	29

The state of the housing waiting list at 31st December 1971, was as follows:-

Flats	100
Nil/one child	266
Two or more children	<u>128</u>
	<u>494</u>

The total number of families re-housed during the year was 63 in the following Parishes:-

Crondall	9
Crookham	2
Eversley	1
Hartley Wintney	19
Hook	1
Long Sutton	1
Odiham	6
South Warnborough	4
Winchfield	1
Yateley	<u>19</u>
	<u>63</u>

Nuisances

The complaints received by the department under this broad heading are many and varied. They range from general defects such as leaking roofs and dampness to noise nuisances and insect infestations. All complaints were investigated and dealt with informally which requires time, tact and patience.

Drainage

The extensive works on main drainage in the Hartley Wintney, Odiham and Hook areas, including the new disposal works, are currently in hand. This will also provide for the public sewer to be laid at Rotherwick. One survey of a non-sewered area in the Parishes of Crookham and Dogmersfield was carried out and have been included in the Council's list of provisional proposals for the future.

Water Supply

The district is supplied with main water by the Mid Southern Water Company and I am grateful to the Chief Engineer for the following report:-

The sources supplying the Rural District are all underground in the chalk formation. All are subject to treatment, and regular examination has shown that the processes are continually effective in producing a water suitable for public supply purposes. There have been no restrictions regarding quantity.

Immediate remedial measures would be initiated if sampling revealed contamination of a treated water. Reservoirs and taps in distribution are examined regularly, and new mains as laid are chlorinated and sampled prior to use for supply purposes.

There are no standpipes and the flouride content is low, the range being 0.1 - 0.2 ppm.

No reliable information is available for this particular area of the population supplied, but the number of connections was approximately, as follows:-

<u>Parish</u>	<u>1971</u>
Bramshill.....	33
Crondall/Crookham.....	932
Dogmersfield.....	126
Eversley.....	446
Greywell.....	121
Hartley Wintney (Elvetham Ward)...	32
Hartley Wintney.....	1,273
Hawley.....	2,185
Heckfield.....	59
Hook.....	874
Long Sutton.....	111
Mattingley.....	137
Odiham.....	1,038
Rotherwick.....	211
South Warnborough.....	116
Winchfield.....	131
Yateley.....	4,236

Independent Water Supplies

A few properties in the district have their own individual shallow wells and these are sampled as occasion demands:-

<u>Parish</u>	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>	<u>Total</u>
Eversley	-	3	3
Heckfield	-	1	1
Mattingley	-	-	-
Winchfield	-	-	-
Mains Water	2	-	2
			<u>6</u>

Caravans

There are 8 licensed caravan sites in the district used for permanent occupation. These provide 333 hardstandings and regular inspections are made to ensure the conditions of the licence issued by the Council are complied with. The caravan sites are situated as follows:-

Oaklands Park, Frogmore, Yateley.....	104
(Mr. C.L. Phillips)	
Blackbushe Park, Dungells Lane, Yateley...	85
(Laundspach Property Company)	
Martins, Sandy Lane, Cove.....	38
(Mr. C.A.J. Martin)	
Hill Corner Farm, Sandy Lane, Cove.....	33
(Mrs. E.A.E. Watson)	
Chilton Farm, Fleet Road, Cove.....	30
(Mr. R.W. Yeomans)	
Hook Common Post Office.....	23
(Mr. R. Cousins)	
Kingsbridge Meadow, School Road, Hook.....	12
(Mr. H. Buckland)	
Sheila's Cottage, Mill Lane, Yateley.....	8
(Mr. L.J. Young)	
	<u>333</u>

Individual Caravans

In addition to the larger sites there are 22 single caravans licensed for living accommodation. These are mainly used for specific purposes, e.g., in connection with agriculture. These caravans are also subject to certain standard conditions and routine visits are made. A site licence automatically expires when planning consent ends.

FOOD PREMISES

As will be seen from the following table there are 220 food premises in the district. Routine visits are made and the general standard throughout the district is a good one. Most occupiers are aware that attractive well laid out premises are conducive to good business and there have been a number of improvements to existing shops during the year. Consultations with builders and shop fitters usually take place in the case of new premises:-

	<u>No. of Premises</u>
Cafes and Restaurants.....	22
Hotels and Public Houses.....	59
Off Licences.....	3
Butcher and Fishmongers.....	16
General Provisions.....	45
Greengrocers.....	14
Confectioners.....	20
Fish Friers.....	3
Bakehouses.....	2
Canteens.....	32
Take Away Food Shops.....	<u>2</u>
	<u>220</u>

Registered Premises

The Council is required to register premises where ice-cream is manufactured or sold, and some 106 sell pre-wrapped ice-cream manufactured by the larger firms outside the district. Five ice-cream samples were taken and they were all satisfactory.

In addition 26 premises are registered for the manufacture of sausages, cooking of hams, etc.

Unsound Food

Carcase Meat (Shops).....	55 lbs
Canned Meats.....	11 lbs
Canned Fruit.....	40 lbs
Fresh Fish.....	84 lbs
Poultry.....	<u>478</u> lbs
	<u>668</u> lbs
Frozen Foods.....	435 pkts.

Milk

The Local Authority is responsible for registering premises where milk is retailed and there are 32 in the district. There are no pasteurising plants in this area.

Meat Inspection

There is one licensed slaughterhouse in the district at Odiham. All carcasses were inspected and the throughput totalled 925 animals.

Poultry Processing

There are no poultry slaughterhouses in the district.

Knackers Yard

The licensed premises at Hook were inspected regularly throughout the year and are well maintained, clean and records were up to date. These animals are not for human consumption, the meat being used for pet foods after sterilisation. The total throughput of 1040 animals was recorded.

Factories

The Council is responsible for enforcing standards of sanitary accommodation in factories where mechanical power is used and for certain other matters in non-powered factories. Visits were made during the year but no contraventions were found.

The following factories are in the district:-

(a) With mechanical power.....	89
(b) Non-powered factories.....	<u>4</u>
	<u>93</u>

Out Workers

There are two persons registered in the district carrying out work in their own homes.

Offices and Shops

Occupiers of premises used for these purposes must register with the Local Authority if persons are employed for more than 21 hours a week. The following statistics are taken from the Council's annual return to the Ministry:-

	<u>No. of Registered premises</u>	<u>No. of Persons employed</u>
Offices.....	51	212
Retail Shops.....	117	446
Wholesale shops, warehouses....	2	20
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens.....	36	176
Fuel storage depots.....	<u>2</u>	<u>10</u>
	<u>208</u>	<u>864</u>

RODENT CONTROL

During the year a total of 687 treatments were carried out for the destruction of rats and mice in the district. This includes 172 agricultural holdings and the remainder were either dwelling-houses, local authority or business premises. The rodent control service is free to all domestic properties, the others being charged on a time and labour basis.

Contracts

The system of contracts, mainly with farmers and large establishments, was continued. Regular inspections are carried out each month and treatment is undertaken when necessary. An annual payment is made to the Council for this service by the owners and this amounted to £570 in 1971. The number of properties covered by the contract system was 61.

REFUSE COLLECTION

The regular weekly collection of refuse from domestic and business premises has been maintained throughout the year. As usual alternative collections or paper sacks are provided for those properties where the collection coincided with the Bank Holidays and householders were notified by leaflet of the arrangements. The 'special collection' service of the Council, which is free of charge, was again helpful to occupiers of property in the district and some 1,283 visits were made to remove armchairs, refrigerators and other bulky commodities.

Some alteration in the existing routes was necessary to allow for the continued development of the district, particularly in Yateley and Hawley, but it was not necessary to undertake a complete review as this was done the previous year.

Collection

This service continued to operate with seven modern refuse vehicles, one of these acting as a spare for the other six. The establishment of drivers and refuse collectors was 30 and there were no major problems of staffing. It has been necessary to increase the special Saturday collections of unwanted domestic articles in order to meet the demand.

Disposal

In August 1971, the Council's controlled tipping at Hazeley Heath was completed and the disposal of refuse was transferred to Heath Warren, Bramshill. It was necessary, however, to retain a portion of Hazeley Heath for members of the public to dispose of refuse under the Civic Amenities Act 1967 as a temporary measure until a more suitable and permanent site can be found. As in previous years the reception of all refuse from Fleet Urban District was allowed for and no special problems arose. If the present Local Government Re-organisation Bill is not altered before receiving the Royal Assent, the existing duties of refuse disposal carried out by the Council, will pass to the new County Council on 1st April 1974.

Salvage

The Collection of waste paper, cardboard and metals continued to form a part of the general scavenging scheme. In spite of a restriction during part of the year on the sale of waste paper to the mills an income of £5,492 was achieved, nearly £1,000 more than the previous year. A bonus of £1.09 was paid to each employee per week from this income and also has the advantage that less waste paper is received at the tip.

WET SCAVENGING

The Council have three tankers working on this service, emptying cesspools in the non-sewered parts of the district. Disposal of cesspool contents is into the public sewers at suitable points but will eventually all come to the new sewage works being built in Hartley Wintney. The number of cesspools emptied during the year was 3,899 and amounted to 9,883 loads. Of this total number of cesspools 48 were new ones emptied for the first time. Properties which are outside the sewerred areas receive two free emptyings per year on request, one in each six months, and the charge for any additional emptying was raised to 70p for the first load and 35p for each subsequent load (a load is equal to 700 gallons or part thereof). The service is not provided to premises which have not connected to the public sewer but could do so; twelve months' notice of withdrawal was served on each householder. The average bonus for the six men employed on this service was £1.70 per week.

